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*L'Apprentissage et l'Enseignement Technique.* By FERNAND DUBIEF. (Paris: Giard and Brière. 1910. Pp. 501.)

This volume on apprenticeship and technical instruction, by the vice-president of the French Chamber of Deputies, forms a part of the *Encyclopédie Internationale d'Assistance, Prévoyance Hygiène Sociale et Démographie*, edited by A. Marie. The author notes the decline of the old system of training apprentices, and since no other adequate method has been devised to take its place, he states that "one hears it said on all sides in the world of commerce and industry that there are no good workmen."

The book describes at length the French system of technical training, which includes primary, secondary and advanced instruction, also professional maritime schools. Some courses in domestic science for girls are provided. The rise of Germany in the industrial world is attributed in no small part to her methods of technical instruction. France is warned that she must enlarge and perfect her system of *l'enseignement technique*. A rapid sketch is made of the schools for technical training in the leading industrial nations of Europe and of the United States, but the information is scanty, even for the general reader. The volume concludes with a series of appendices, in which are considered important decrees of the French law with regard to the equipment of industrial workers, proposed educational reforms, and other similar topics. The book contains much material of interest to the economist, as well as to those who are interested primarily in educational problems.

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## Insurance and Pensions

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